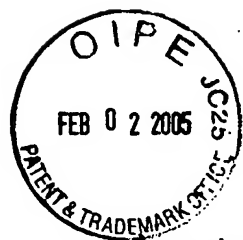


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**REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY**

Applicant notes that the Examiner has not acknowledged the claim for foreign priority for the application. Certified copies of Japanese Application Nos. P2000-227841 and P2001-222106, filed on July 27, 2000 and July 23, 2001, respectively, were filed in parent Application No. 09/912, 365, filed July 26, 2001. In the present application, Applicant cites the priority documents on page 2, item 10, of the transmittal letter filed January 26, 2004.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to issue a Supplemental Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37) which acknowledges receipt of the priority documents.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this Request, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

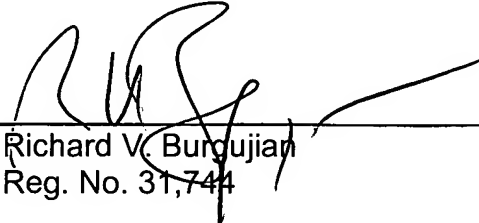
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